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Although I am a Canadian citizen, I feel the effects of the massive influence Microsoft has over the computer industry overall, and witness every day its dominance of end-user computing. If I could suggest any one thing that might make either a settlement or punishment for Microsoft's abuse of its monopoly status, it would be this: for as long as Microsoft continues to practice predatory, illegal tactics as standard business, bar the use of their operating systems and software products from use within any governmental organization, including all educational and health care institutions.

While "suffering" through the alternatives available would be a difficult transition, supporting transgressions only provides further opportunities to transgress. Supporting what little competition remains for Microsoft would serve to provide a means to stimulate real competition once again within the computer industry.

Thank you,

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